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The Honorable Carl Levin
Chairman, Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In compliance with Title 10, United States Code, Section 2807, the enclosed notification is forwarded from TRICARE Management Activity. We are initiating design work on the projects listed in the enclosure.

Thank you for your interest in the Military Health System and its beneficiaries. We at TRICARE are proud to serve our Nation's military heroes and their families and are committed to providing them the best possible health care.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Woodson", is written over a horizontal line.

Jonathan Woodson, M.D.
Director

Enclosure:
As stated

cc:
The Honorable John McCain
Ranking Member

NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO INITIATE DESIGNS FOR PROPOSED FISCAL
YEAR 2013 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, TRICARE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY
PROJECTS
10 USC 2807

Tricare Management Activity (TMA) intends to obligate design funds for the following military construction projects:

CALIFORNIA

Marine Corps Base, 29 Palms	Estimated Cost of Design:	\$2,304,000
Medical Clinic Replacement PN72808	Estimated Cost of Construction:	\$27,000,000

This project will construct a new medical clinic to provide a primary care; physical therapy and sports medicine services; behavioral and deployment health services; and ancillary and diagnostic imaging services. The existing facility is deficient in space based upon DoD spacing criteria, there are numerous structural deficiencies, and the current building needs to be replaced in order to accommodate a projected 17% growth in active duty personnel at MCB 29 Palms in the next five years. The new clinic will also serve to consolidate services into one clinic. These services are currently fragmented between eleven separate locations across the base. This facility will also serve as a staging area to provide for all of the comprehensive healthcare needs of each Marine assigned to operational Marine Forces.

MARYLAND

Naval Support Activity, Bethesda	Estimated Cost of Design:	\$ 3,335,000
Temporary Medical Facilities PN 80306	Estimated Cost of Construction:	\$ 26,170,000

This project will construct temporary medical/ clinical facilities for medical staff, patients and visitors to supplement vacated spaces during the demolition of Buildings 2, 4, 6, 7, and 8 at the Bethesda campus. This requirement is in conjunction with the 2010 Joint Task Force and National Naval Medical Center study for the WRNMMC Medical Facilities Master Plan. The current hospital facilities are poorly configured, lack flexibility and expandability, and contain deficiencies in the building spaces, particularly as it relates to mechanical and environmental systems. If not provided, demolition work on existing structures cannot proceed without adequate temporary facilities to accommodate all of the medical requirements.

MARYLAND

Naval Support Activity, Bethesda	Estimated Cost of Design:	\$ 1,610,000
Electrical Capacity Improvements PN 80308	Estimated Cost of Construction:	\$ 35,000,000

This project constructs installation-wide utility upgrades to improve the capacity of power distribution to infrastructure at Naval Support Activity (NSA), Bethesda. This

requirement was based upon recent utility condition assessments that were completed at NSA Bethesda. Future demand was projected using post-BRAC construction in addition to known immediate future requirements, existing loads, and anticipated loads. The existing electrical system cannot accommodate any future construction after completion of the BRAC projects. The existing utility infrastructure cannot accommodate all of the future additional projects being proposed for NSA Bethesda. The existing electrical feeders from the Woodmont Substation, National Institutes of Health, to Vault #243 at NSA Bethesda do not have the capacity to carry additional loads beyond the conclusion of the BRAC construction program. The estimated peak post-BRAC electrical demand is 31.5 MVA which reaches the current firm capacity of the PEPCO feeders. The actual demand will likely be less than the firm capacity, however there will be limited capacity left for any additional loads. The net increase in load for the net increase of Building C, the new Child Development Center, the new Bachelor Enlisted Quarters and new utility plant is estimated to be approximately 7.0MVA. The final total consumption with these projects will be 38.5 MVA. If this utility infrastructure increase is not funded, the additional construction planned at NSA Bethesda cannot be completed.

MISSOURI

Fort Leonard Wood
Dental Clinic
PN 71679

Estimated Cost of Design: \$ 1,245,000
Estimated Cost of Construction: \$ 18,000,000

This project constructs a new general dentistry clinic which provides facility capacity in support of the Army's First Term Dental Readiness (FTDR) initiative which requires all Soldiers to be worldwide deployable, from a dental readiness perspective, upon graduation from initial basic and advanced training at Fort Leonard Wood. The construction involves building a dental clinic and an outdoor troop shelter. Supporting facilities include electrical service; water; sewer and gas; paving, walks, curbs, and gutters; storm drainage, information systems, and site improvements. The current dental clinic is not meeting the FTDR mission requirements and the lack of facility capacity has become a critical resource constraint. Other operational solutions such as extended hours have been implemented but the clinic is still affected by space limitations. If this project is not funded, the existing facility will continue to not meet FTDR requirements and graduating students will not be deployment ready upon arrival at their next duty station.

NORTH CAROLINA

Camp Lejeune
Medical Clinic Replacement
Laboratory Replacement
PN 78144

Estimated Cost of Design: \$ 2,717,000
Estimated Cost of Construction: \$ 20,900,000

This project involves construction of a multistory new Outpatient Clinic replacement facility that supports critical healthcare workload and missions served by Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune and the DoD eligible beneficiary population in and around

Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune. The healthcare system at Camp Lejeune supports 142,500 active-duty personnel, their family members, and retirees. The new clinic will deliver workspaces for outpatient Pediatrics; a Traumatic Brain Injury Sleep Study Clinic and Laboratory; Early Developmental Intervention and Services; Optical Fabrication; Dermatology; and spaces for administrative support services. This project constructs a building for clinical and administrative purposes onboard the hospital compound but the clinic location apart from the main facility helps to draw excessive traffic out of the main hospital building at a time when the Naval Hospital is experiencing significant growth. This project will also include a satellite pharmacy, specimen drawing laboratory, and limited warehouse space. All of these services are currently being provided within severely constrained spaces at the Naval Hospital and in other buildings throughout the base. Without this project, the existing antiquated and functionally obsolete hospital annex located in the former Berkeley Manor School will continue to be used which reduces the efficiency of operations because this building is situated in seven different wings connected by walkways. Because of the inefficient space allocation within the existing facility forced by the disjointed design, the clinics will continue to operate within temporary trailer facilities located adjacent to the hospital.

FY 2013 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS
DESIGNS RELEASE REQUESTED
 (Congressional Notification Required)

PN	INSTALLATION	STATE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	Est. Cost of Const (\$000)	Est. Cost of Design (\$000)
72808	Marine Corps Base, 29 Palms	CA	Medical Clinic Replacement	27,000	2,304
80306	Naval Support Activity, Bethesda	MD	Temporary Medical Facilities	26,170	3,335
80308	Naval Support Activity, Bethesda	MD	Electrical Capacity Improvements	35,000	1,610
71679	Fort Leonard Wood	MO	Dental Clinic	18,000	1,245
78144	Camp Lejeune	NC	Medical Clinic Replacement	20,900	2,717